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## CACTI FOR TELEPHONE POLES

Scheme for a Government Line in Arizona Desert Which Is Believed to Be Feasible.

Sahara for telephone and telegraph poles is the latest idea and one that is to be tried out. It sounds plausible and it is believed that it will be more economical than the old style of poles. Its test is to come from Arizona.

The government is to build a telephone system for the forestry service of the Coronado forest reserve. The first of these lines to be built out of Tucson is to be used into the Catalinas, and it is there that the Sahara experiment is to be tried.

The giant cacti will not be sawed off and set up nor will they be transplanted, but the growing plant will be used as a pole where it is found practical. Where they can be found in what approaches alignment, so that the line will not have to zigzag too much, the sahara up in the canons through which the line will pass are to be utilized for the purpose of attaching brackets to which the wires will be fastened. And so the secret is out.

Along the proposed line it is difficult to set poles, owing to the rocky nature of the country traversed. Not only is this the case, but it is difficult to get the poles up there in the hills to set, while the sahara are right there in many instances, and while not at a uniform distance this is not considered important. Another saving will be that while the made to order poles will not cost the ready made ones, these will be of long life and will not demand replenishing and replacing from time to time.

## AS A MAN SHOULD ANSWER

For Once a New Yorker Rose to the Occasion and Was There With Apt Response.

Two men somewhat alike as to build, dress and general appearance entered an upper West side restaurant within a few minutes of one another the other evening, says the New York Press. They were also alike and not different from the average New Yorker in burying themselves in newspapers as soon as they had chosen tables.

Presently there entered a well-dressed, good-looking woman, somewhat in a hurry, if one were to judge from her manner, and a trifle distraught. Glancing hastily around the room, she seated herself at the table which one of the men had selected.

He merely lifted his eyes from his paper for an instant, in the disinterested manner New Yorkers adopt, and fell to reading again, while the woman seized the menu card and began studying it. It took her a couple of minutes to decide what she wanted. Having found it, she laid her hand on the arm of the man. As he looked up at her a curious expression came over her face.

"Why—why, you're not my husband, are you?" she gasped.

"I am sorry, madam," he replied gallantly, "that I am not."

Then both of them laughed, which aroused the man at the other table from his paper long enough to permit him to announce himself.

## Largest Gas Tank in the World.

Contracts have been awarded for the erection at Pittsburgh at a cost of \$500,000 of the largest holder for the storage of natural gas in the world.

The big holder will be erected on the company's storage property at Rebecca street and South avenue, North Side, close to the great natural gas holder which now has the record for size. These two great holders will be filled with natural gas during the night for use in the North Side district during the daytime and will be used to cover any possible emergency in the natural gas supply for the territory north of the Allegheny river.

The giant holder will have a capacity of 6,000,000 cubic feet of natural gas. It will have a diameter of 226 feet, will be 208 feet high and the material composing it will weigh about 5,000 tons. The present natural gas holder of the Philadelphia company has a capacity of 5,000,000 cubic feet, is 198 feet in diameter and 190 feet high.—Oil and Gas.

## Tokyo Type Foundry.

The leading type foundry of the Far East is located at Tokyo and produces two series of Chinese type. The first series, consisting of 5,000 characters, has in combinations a total of 150,000 separate pieces of type. The second series has 3,000 characters and 100,000 combinations.

The producers of the type publish a catalogue in which each character is printed and by the side of this character is given the number of combinations in which it is used. This foundry also produces Japanese characters, the Hira-kana in 152 characters and 30,000 combinations and the Katakana in 52 characters and 19,000 combinations.

## Old Festival Retained.

With an unbroken record dating back to 1682, the quaint and picturesque rush-bearing festival was observed at St. Oswald's church, Grasmere, Westmoreland, England, recently. The ceremony is a survival of the days when rushes were employed to protect worshippers from damp floors while kneeling. Each year the inhabitants conveyed to the church a new supply of rushes. Nowadays the vicar of the parish received a kind of memorial gift of rushes and a special service marks the occasion.

Hopkinsville Market  
Quotations.

Corrected Sept. 21, 1911.

## RETAIL GROCERY PRICES.

Country lard, good color and clean 12 1/2c per pound.

Country bacon, 11c per pound.

Black-eyed peas, \$4.00 per bushel.

Country shoulders, 12 1/2c per pound.

Country hams, 19c per pound.

Irish potatoes, \$1.50 per bushel.

Northern eating Rural potatoes \$1.50 per bushel.

Texas eating onions, \$1.25 per bushel.

Red eating onions, \$1.50 per bushel.

Dried Navy beans, \$3.00 per bushel.

Cabbage, 3 cents a pound.

Dried Lima beans, 10c per pound.

Country dried apples, 10c per pound.

Country dried peaches, 10c per pound.

Daisy cream cheese, 25c per pound.

Full cream brick cheese, 25c per pound.

Full cream Limberger cheese, 25c per pound.

Popcorn, dried on ear, 2c per pound.

Fresh Eggs 25c per doz.

Choice lots fresh, well-worked country butter, in pound prints, 30c.

## FRUITS.

Lemons, 25c per dozen.

Navel Oranges, 30c, 40c, per doz.

Bananas, 15c and 20c doz.

New York State apples \$4.00 to \$4.50 per barrel.

## Cash Price Paid For Produce.

## POULTRY.

Dressed hens, 12 1/2c per pound.

Dressed cocks, 7c per pound.

Live hens, 10c per pound; live cocks, 3c per pound; live turkeys, 16 1/2c per pound.

Dressed geese, 11c per pound for choice lots, live 5 1/2.

Fresh country eggs, 18 cents per dozen.

Fresh country butter 25c lb.

A good demand exists for spring chickens, and choice lots of fresh country butter.

## HAY AND GRAIN.

Choice timothy hay, \$18.00.

No. 1 timothy hay, \$17.00.

Choice clover hay, \$16.00.

No. 1 clover hay, \$16.00.

Clean, bright straw hay, \$5.00.

Alfalfa hay, \$18.00.

White seed oats, 50c.

Black seed oats, 50c.

Mixed seed oats, 48c.

No. 2 white corn, 70c.

No. 2 mixed corn, 70c.

Winter wheat bran, \$26.00.

Chops, \$3.50.

## ROOTS, HIDES, WOOL AND TALLOW.

Prices paid by wholesale dealers to butchers and farmers:

Roots—Southern ginseng, \$5.75 lb.

"Golden Seal" yellow root, \$1.35 lb.

Mayapple, 3 1/2; pink root, 12c and 13c.

Tallow—No. 1, 4 1/2; No. 2, 4c.

Wool—Burry, 10c to 17c; Clear

Grease, 21c; medium, tub washed, 23c to 30c; coarse, dingy, tub washed, 18c.

Feathers—Prime white goose, 50c;

dark and mixed old goose, 15c to 30c;

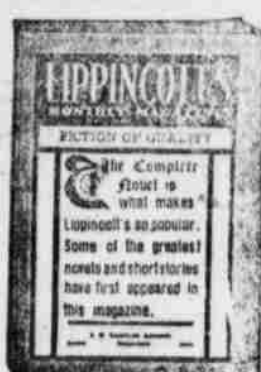
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## HARD BATTLE FOR THE DOG

Sport Killed the Big Bob Cat, but He Suffered Severely in the Combat.

After a battle in which he came near meeting death himself, Sport, a medium sized coach dog, the property of W. M. Butterbaugh, a rancher living in Lempi's Gulch, Idaho, killed a bob cat that measured six feet from nose to tip of tail.

The dog was terribly scratched and bitten and has not yet entirely recovered. He was mauled by the long, sharp claws of the big cat and in some places the scratches are deep, digging clear to the bone. The cat would weigh half again as much as the dog, and towered above him in height.

Mr. Butterbaugh did not see the fight, but arrived on the scene shortly after the dog had killed the cat and found his faithful friend lying on the ground, unable to move, and scarcely living. It looked at the time like a bad case, but he succeeded in nursing the animal back to life.

"For some days we had been missing chickens," Mr. Butterbaugh said, "and I was unable to figure out what was killing them. I would get up in the morning and find one or two lying dead in the barnyard, still warm, and I could not tell what sort of an animal was doing the mischief."

"But Sport figured it out, and one morning I heard him take out after something. I got up as soon as I could and followed up the gulch, expecting that they would take that trail. When I got there I found the dog lying on the ground and the big cat dead."

"The dog had chased him up there, but the cat had turned on him and shown fight. They must have fought there 15 minutes before the battle was settled. And from the looks of both the cat and the dog it must have been a terrible battle."

## DODGE THE POSTAGE STAMP

Foreign Countries Devising Schemes for Benefit of Large Users of the Mails.

Any man who can devise a practical substitute for the postage stamp will deserve the gratitude of every large business house in the world, and may earn a large fortune. For the labor of affixing stamps to their enormous mail necessitates in some firms the employment of a special clerical staff.

In the postoffices of some countries steps in this direction have already been taken. Here, for instance, newspapers and magazines are mailed by their publishers in bulk without stamps, and the postage is paid in a lump sum of one cent a pound. Then, again, some firms that send out large quantities of circulars register themselves under a certain number at the postoffice, their envelopes are printed with this number and the circulars so mailed are paid for in bulk. In Bavaria large consignments of letters may merely be postmarked by machinery and sent without stamps, the postage fee being paid in a lump sum at the time of mailing. It is said that since February 1, 1910, this system has saved the Bavarian postoffice the expense for paper and the printing cost for 10,000,000 stamps.

A writer in the Umschau, a German publication, suggests a further development of this system along the lines of a meter, like those used for water, gas and electricity, in which the letters would be placed and automatically stamped with a postmark, the machine recording each letter so mailed. These machines would be inspected periodically and the bills collected, just as are those of the consumer of gas or water.

## Artificial Sponge.

An artificial sponge, the outcome of German ingenuity, is now to be had, according to the Scientific American. The process of making it consists principally in the action of zinc chloride on pure cellulose. This results in a pasty, viscous mass, which is mixed with coarsely grained rock salt.

Placed in a press mold armed with pins the mass is pierced through and through until it appears traversed by a multitude of tiny canals, like the pores of a natural sponge. The excess of salts is subsequently removed by prolonged washing in a weak alcoholic solution. The artificial sponge swells up with water but hardens on drying, just like its prototype; it is said to be eminently adapted for filtering water for sanitary or industrial uses and it can be employed for all the purposes that are usually assigned to the genuine article.

## Ancient Roman Long Branch.

The sea coast of Laurentum may have been in favor with the fashionable and the wealthy for a brief space of time under Augustus and his immediate successors, but was given up quite soon to parvenues and merchants and retired officers, and the same set of noisy people who haunt at the present day the popular watering places of the world. To make the analogy more striking, an inscription has been found at La Capocotta singing the praises of a wealthy Jew, and revealing the fact that a synagogue had been built at Ostia for the use of the "Sinitic" "villegianti" on the neighboring coast.

## His Misfortune.

"You got a raise in pay. Didn't you?"  
"Yes, but it didn't do me any good."  
"Why not?"  
"I talk in my sleep and my wife found out about it."—Toledo Blade.

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